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In re Application of : DECISION ON REQUEST TO
YAMAMOTO, TAKESHI et al. : PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Application No. 10/598,098 : PROSECUTION HIGHWAY
Filed: August 17, 2006 : PROGRAM AND PETITION
Attorney Docket No. 70404.106/ha : TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
: 37 CFR 1.102(d)

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed June 19, 2009, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **DISMISSED AS MOOT**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH program and petition to make special require:

- (1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in the JPO;
- (2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the JPO application(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
- (3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the JPO application(s);
- (4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
- (5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the office actions from each of the JPO application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s) along with an English translation thereof and a statement that the English translation is accurate;
- (6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the JPO examiner in the JPO office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
- (7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH program and petition are dismissed as moot as the examination of the above-identified application has begun. An Office Action was mailed on November 13, 2009, and a Response to the Office Action was received on February 23, 2010.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Doris To at 571-272-7629.

All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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